

BASKETBALL :: BOWLING :: BOXING :: OTHER SPORTS

NORMAL AND HIGH
WILL PLAY IT OUT

Three Game Series to Decide
the City Championship
Arranged.

Three basketball games to decide the city championship between the Normal and High school, and effecting a revival of the old time rivalry between the two institutions, will be played this season, the first game being scheduled for Thursday night on the Normal gymnasium floor. The second contest will be at the Y. M. C. A. under the auspices of the High school on Tuesday, March 6. If necessary a third game will be played on the Armory floor at a date to be arranged later.

In other years the annual clash between the Normal and High school was probably the biggest basketball feature of the year. This season with both teams evenly matched and with players of real ability, the series should be the feature of the winter at basketball.

W.V.U.'S HEFT TOO
MUCH FOR NORMAL

Saturday Night's Game Was
Decidedly Interesting
Contest.

With Mike Hamilton 30 pounds heavier and with a few other pounds distributed around over the other players, Fairmont Normal would have beaten West Virginia University by 10 points in Saturday night's game. As it was the Normal boys played a better brand of basketball and won the Varsity Giants to a 30 to 66 score.

At the start Normal flashed and for the first ten minutes led in the scoring. Then as the big Morgantowners began to gather momentum the light Normal boys were ridden under. Playing fiercely and gamely they kept the fans in constant roar of tumultuously proclaimed approval. Mike Hamilton was far and away the star of the game outplaying every man on the floor. Time and again he broke up carefully worked Varsity plays and again would take the ball away from the university under their own basket and work it back for a field goal.

The Normal gym was packed with fans who knew they were going to see a good basketball game but who never expected to see the Normal make such a showing as she did. To the credit of the University players, had more than could be said of other teams who have played the Normal this season, they did not fall back on their superiority in weight to rough house the game and take all the sport features from the contest. The lineup:

Fairmont—30 W. V. U.—66
H. Hamilton.....F..... Latterner
M. Hamilton.....F..... Rodgers
Binnis.....F..... Ice
Ridley.....G..... Steadman
Hess.....G..... Trotter
Substitutions—Fairmont: Miller for
Ridley; W. V. U.: Hite for Trotter.
Foul baskets—Fairmont: M. Hamilton 4 out of 11; W. V. U.: Rodgers, none out of 3; Steadman 2 out of 7.
Time of periods, 20 minutes.
Referee: Kersting.
Score end of first half 34 to 18, W. V. U.

Was Poor Week For
the Y. M. C. A. Bowlers

Although the averages made last week in the bowling at the "Y" were as a whole poorer than usual, some good scores have been made. Carder has an average of 125 for 38 games and grand total of 4741. Kendall, in second place, is giving him a close race for high score honors and McDougall has high one-game score of 169.

League Standing

	W	L	Pct
Consol. Coal Co.	28	11	.710
Monongah Glass	25	14	.641
F. M. M. Co.	23	19	.548
West Virginians	16	17	.485
Hartleys	14	31	.317
Corbins	10	23	.303

Short Slants
at Sports

The Miller school alumni meets the East Side club on the 'cross the river floor tomorrow evening. Some one's got to win but there's going to be a good game played to decide it.

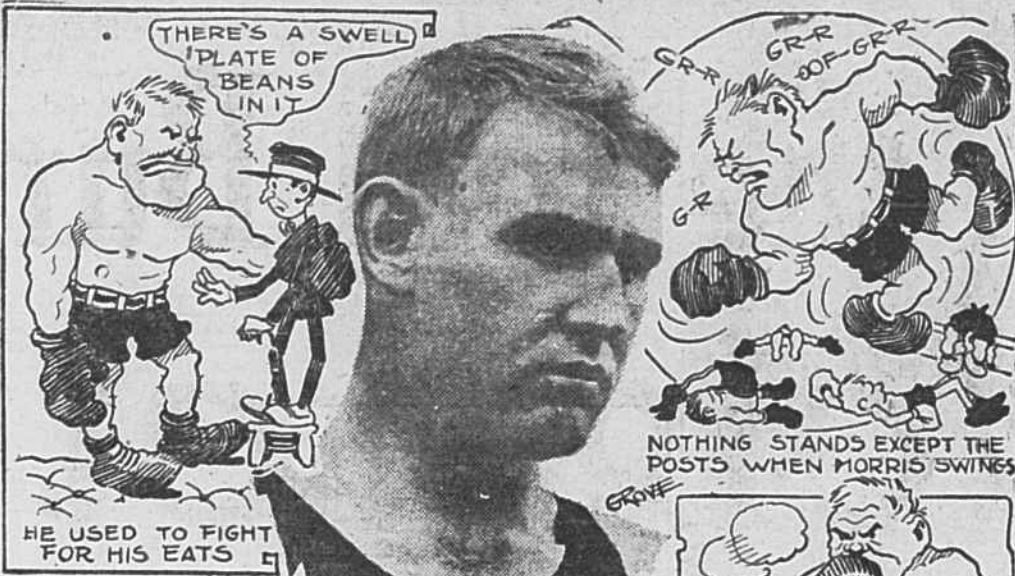
Manager Harry Watkins is lining up some good games with the big schools for the Normal school's baseball season. Some rattling good baseball players are planning to come into school for the spring term and a good team is going to result.

One of the mysteries of the 20th century is what the Normal school basketball team did at Shinnston. No one has ever breathed the result of that fateful night.

The Barrackville Bear Cats and the Annabelle Antelopes are planning to pitch for the horseshoe pitching championship of the county at the county fair next fall.

If you don't want the thousand yourself, then nominate a friend.

CARL MORRIS, ORIGINAL "WHITE HOPE," NOW WATCHES
OTHER BOXERS GRAB COIN HE COULDN'T GET!



By PAUL PURMAN.

At ringside in New York the other night when Fred Fulton was giving Charley Weinert a terrible lacing saw a huge bulk of a man—the most pathetic figure in present pugilism.

He is Carl Morris, the original "white hope," the first man groomed to bring the heavyweight title back to the white race.

Morris' career would be funny if it was not so pathetic. It was in 1911 that Morris became a candidate for Jack Johnson's crown and the title of "white hope" was conferred upon him by some jovial Kansas City scribe.

Morris was a railroad fireman. He lived in Sapulpa, Okla., and after whipping everyone on his division of the railroad engaged in a number of bouts in the Oklahoma towns.

In 1910 he knocked out Marvin Hart in three rounds and the world began to take notice. A few months later he stopped Mike Schreck and was taken east to show off his wares.

In New York he boxed a 10-round draw with Jim Flynn and knocked out a few come-ons.

But his aspirations came to a sudden halt the next year when he was knocked cold by Luther McCarthy,

whereupon McCarthy became the "white hope" and Morris the goat.

Now while Morris was fighting those early fights, striving for recognition he wasn't getting the money. The little purses that were offered him were gobbled up by two or three managers, who were misguiding his way to fame and fortune, Morris was lucky if he got enough to pay his hotel bills.

He watched McCarthy claim the white championship in 1912, saw Pelky claim it after stopping McCarthy in the bout which caused McCarthy's death a year later, watched Gunboat Smith grab what little honors the title held after a few months and saw the Gunner lose whatever claims he may have had.

But all this wasn't doing Carl any good. He was getting no matches—promoters laughed at him—some even called him yellow—a deliberate untruth—Morris was never yellow.

Morris is trying to come back. He has had a few bouts in the southwest and critics who have seen him declare

that he has lost his awkwardness and is much better than formerly.

His huge bulk (he is 6 feet 4 inches and weighs 240 pounds) is a great asset in this present day of ring giants. If he can live down the ridicule of a few years ago Morris should be a promising candidate for Jess Willard's crown—but there's the rub.

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WASHINGTON NEWS --
GOSSIP By CHARLES BROOKS SMITH.

West Virginians coming to the inauguration should have the foresight to arrange for rooms and seats for the parade in advance. There are plenty of both available now at reasonable prices, not meaning rooms at the hotels, however. There are great stands scattered along the line of the parade, some of them covered, and seats reserved in all of them in which seats may be had for \$2, \$3 and \$5 each. The last mentioned price applies to the seats in the great, covered stand which skirts the eastern edge of Lafayette park opposite the White House. In front of the White House is the President's stand, and for several blocks along the avenue at that point extends the Court of Honor. The total seating capacity of all stands is estimated at 100,000. This is exclusive of balconies and windows along the line of march. Behind the larger windows have been erected slanting platforms on which are chairs. A seat may be purchased in one of these enclosed rooms now for as little as \$2.50. Lunches will be served in most of these places for which an extra charge will be made. Seat tickets are being sold by the thousands every day, but prices still remain the same. The authorities are keeping a strict watch out for speculators and promise to make trouble for them if they materialize.

There are some rules to be followed at an inauguration which are conducive to one's comfort. One of them is to seek out your grandstand seat early if the stand is so located that the crowds can block you out. Many of the stands can be reached from the rear by side streets, but not all of them. This same caution applies to buildings that can only be entered from the avenue side. Then one should have a good lunch provided, for once in his seat in a stand he is likely to stay whether he wants to or not, for he will be hemmed in by thousands packed in mass. A thermos bottle is a serviceable hand-maiden to the lunchbox, and the old-fashioned hip-pocket flask is not frowned upon by grandstand society on that one day, especially if it be a raw windy March day, which one may reasonably expect, if it doesn't happen to be worse. By way of adding a tragic obituary note to these friendly instructions it may be stated that this will be the last inauguration at which flask toters will be able to fill the hip device believed by many parade spectators to be necessary to saving their lives March

4th, with liquid ammunition purchased locally. Above everything else, a grandstand occupant should be warmly clothed and have plenty of extra wraps. Our presidential inaugurations are like green Christmases, they help to fill up the graveyards. Attending an inauguration parade is an all day job.

Various estimates have been made by resident West Virginians as to the number of visitors coming from their native state. The smallest made was 2,500, and the highest 5,000.

Those hundreds of West Virginia women who have been watching expectantly the coming of the postman with that \$4.75 silk petticoat for which they sent a thin dime and the names of five friends they wrote to telling them about the wonderful bargain, may as well go to the pressing duties of the kitchen sink and forget all about it. There is no such animal as the "National Mail Order Brokerage Exchange," of Minneapolis, Minn. If there is, or ever was, the agents of Uncle Sam haven't been able to locate it. But to make sure that it will not last long if there is any such concern in hiding, the Post Office department has issued a fraud order against it.

West Virginia women to the number of slightly less than 900 are not the only living evidence of the good old adage that "one is born every minute and two to take him," nor are they the only ones who still cling to that ancient belief that one may get something for nothing in this age of soaring spuds and onions beyond the reach of even the vulgar rich. By no means. The sisterhood is to be found in every state in the Union and our insular possessions. The mail addressed to the elusive silk petticoat exchange, from each place of which a dime dropped when opened by the authorities, proves that.

The petticoat proposition started in a very small way out in Minneapolis, but it gathered such volume in so short a space of time that the unknown genius who started it got scared and abandoned his correspondence. He disappeared completely. It wasn't many days until the Minneapolis post office was receiving 10,000 letters a day addressed to "The National Mail Order Brokerage Exchange," each letter containing a dime and instructions to hurry along that sick petticoat, price \$4.75 in time for the parson's

party on the following Friday night. Notwithstanding all the warnings given out by the postal officials, the orders continued daily by the thousands. And they are still coming in. The Minneapolis postoffice force is now so overloaded that the dead letter openers here are overworked, and the heads of the department are worried. It has put the government to no amount of trouble. It has appealed to the newspaper correspondents here to spread the sad tidings to the victims in each state, as well as a warning to those good sisters who have thus far escaped, the petticoat-baited hook.

The West Virginia delegation in Congress, those who do not plan to keep their offices open during the congressional vacation, are at a loss whether to pack up their letter files and other office paraphernalia which they will need in their home office. It is no easy job. If they knew for certain about an extra session being called, they would know what to do. One day there is talk of an extra session, and the next the talk is just the opposite. Just at this writing, the talk is strong that there will be one. The sidry goes to the effect that the Republicans in the Senate have conferred and agreed to force one. Their position, it is said, is that they think that in the present delicate situation of international relations Congress should be in session, and that the President should not be left alone to handle a condition of war or to decide whether or not there shall be war in certain well-known and heretofore stated circumstances. The rumor is that they will retard the progress of the extra revenue bill now before them and thus force an extra session. The Republican side of the Senate and not a few of the Democratic senators at heart, oppose placing the entire responsibility upon one individual, notwithstanding that in individual may be the President of the United States. The President is expected to go before congress on Monday and ask for authority to use the naval and military rights in defense of the country's rights; a precautionary action anticipatory of the commission of the much-mooted "overt act" which may, or may not, be committed by Germany.

Several of the congressmen from West Virginia will keep their secretaries here on the job and their office open during the adjournment. These Representatives Bowers, Cooper and Neely, Sutherland, Woodard and Littlepage, unless they change their plans, will take their secretaries home with them and handle their office business from that end. Senator Goff's office will remain open as usual with Secretary McDermott in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Martin and family, of Parkersburg, will occupy the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lippitt during the inauguration. They will have a house filled with guests, among them W. W. Van Winkle, Miss Mary Van Winkle, Mrs. William H. Morgan and C. Talbot and Harry O. Hiteshaw, all of Parkersburg. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Mann will entertain their house party inauguration week in their stately mansion on Sixteenth street. Mrs. Harper, who was Miss Carrie Rousch, of Parkersburg, wife of Col. Robert N. Harper, chairman of the inaugural committee, has already begun to receive guests who have been invited to spend the inaugural season with her. There will hardly be a West Virginia household in the Capital that will not entertain visitors.

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Billy Evans' Great Baseball Problem

BY BILLY EVANS.
(World's Greatest Umpire.)

In a game between Detroit and Washington, Ty Cobb is at bat.

Can Cobb reach first base on a foul fly that is caught, then score a run, although in his attempts to advance to the plate he is apparently retired at three succeeding bases, no assistance being rendered by any other batsmen or runner?

If so, tell how.
The solution must tell how he reaches first base on a foul fly that is caught and describe his trip around the bases.

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Congressman Edward Cooper discovered today that there is a shortage of seed beans in the Department of Agriculture and there will be no free distribution of seed beans this spring from that department.

"I have just written one of my constituents," said Mr. Cooper, "that for the first time the government cannot supply him with seed beans. I presume it is just another indication of the unfortunate effects of the present food situation. Beans, I now believe, are now selling at something like thirty cents a pint."

Vice President Marshall thinks of borrowing one of the navy's steel harbor nets to swing above his official chair in the Senate chamber. A pair of spectacles tumbled through the air and fell almost atop of the Vice President's head today. They fell from the eyes of a New York correspondent, seated in the press gallery directly above him.

"Oh, that was nothing," said the Vice President. "One day a knife came slashing down and stabbed a page in the hand. I am quite inured to a daily shower of lead pencils."

Mrs. Olinus Smith is visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jeffords, at their home in Charleston, W. Va. Mrs. Jeffords' mother, Mrs. George Cooper, also is her guest. Mrs. Jeffords, Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Smith all will return to Washington about March 2. Mrs. Jeffords will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, for several weeks.

Sam B. Montgomery, of Kingwood, has many friends in Washington who have been to wire him congratulations on his appointment by Governor Hatfield as Labor Commissioner for the State of West Virginia. Among the telegrams sent from here was one from Samuel A. Gompers, president, and Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor. The Republican members of the state's delegation in congress also sent their congratulations. They regard Mr. Montgomery as splendidly fitted for his new position.

Captain and Mrs. T. R. Cowell, of Parkersburg, will arrive the first of the week to remain until after the inauguration. Their daughter, Miss Elizabeth, is attending school here, and their son, Tracy, who is a student at Culver, will come to Washington with the famous Black Horse Troop of Culver, which will act as the personal escort of Vice President Marshall in the inauguration parade.

The most modest man in West Virginia has written Congressman Howard Sutherland a letter requesting that a roundtrip railroad ticket be sent so that he can come on and see the inauguration ceremonies. He didn't state anything in his letter about it, but Mr. Sutherland presumes that he has enough money to defray his expenses otherwise. Mr. Sutherland was compelled to send an answer which will probably make one constituent, at least, a deadly enemy for life.

John Tener wants to start ball games an hour earlier. Why start them at all in St. Louis, John?

LAST DAY TO WORK
BASEBALL PROBLEM

West Virginian Will Give
Three Cash Prizes for
Best Answers.

Today is the last day for work on The West Virginian's great baseball puzzle. All answers to count must be in this office by midnight tonight. Tomorrow afternoon the correct solution will be published together with the names of the fans who won the prizes.

For the best answers three dollars will be paid and those who send the two next best will be given one dollar each.

This is a free for all contest. No entrance fee of any kind is required, and any reader of The West Virginian of either sex is eligible to enter.

The problem which was devised by Billy Evans, the well-known umpire, is not a trick. It is an entirely practicable baseball problem and can be solved well within the recognized playing rules.

Y. M. C. A. Juniors
Beat St. Paul Five

The "Y" Junior defeated the Knights of St. Paul club Saturday afternoon by the score of 36-8. The Junior far outclassed their rivals and showed their superiority by the excellence of their team work. Troxell's shooting is also worthy of special mention.

East Side—J. Hutchinson.....F.....E. Arnett
Yost.....F.....Keener
Troxell.....F.....Woody
Fleming.....G.....G. Arnett
Brown.....G.....Higginbotham
Field baskets—Hutchinson 1, Yost 6, Troxell 9, Brown 2, Keener 1.

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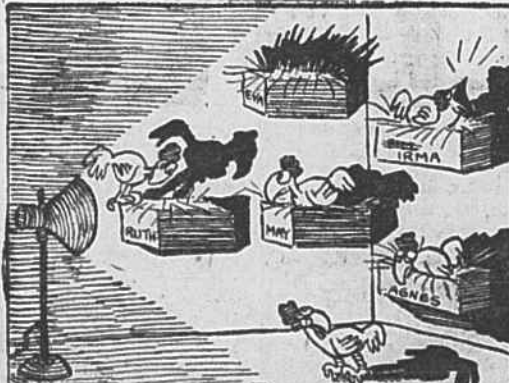
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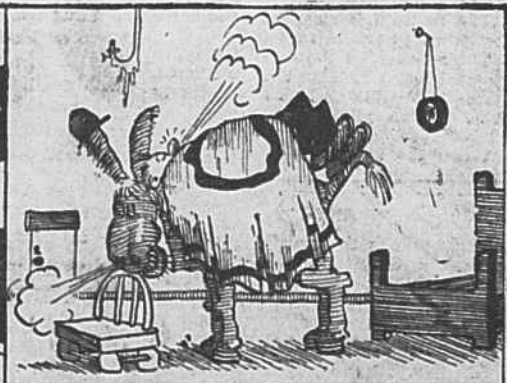
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CLEVELAND (OHIO) ON ACCOUNT OF FROZEN GAS AND SHORTAGE OF COAL—ONLY WAY PEDDLER CAN KEEP WARM NIGHTS IS BY SLEEPING ON 'ISAAC'S' DELIVERY MULE—



HOUSTON (TEXAS) WHEN INQUISITIVE CITIZEN STOPS TO READ PAPER OVER GENTS SHOULDER—SUN RAYS THRU CITIZENS STRONG MAGNIFYING GLASSES SET GENTS PAPER ON FIRE—



CINCINNATI (OHIO) OWNER OF FACTORY HAD WINDOWS CLEANED—NEXT DAY HIS HELP DIDN'T RECOGNIZE THE PLACE AND WENT TO WORK IN THE WRONG FACTORY—